

Knight House

Herrick Archives Number H 111

A. IDENTIFICATION & LOCATION

1. Name

1.1 Never officially named by Board of Trustees action.

1.2 Alternate names noted:

1.2.1 Built as Residence No. 2.

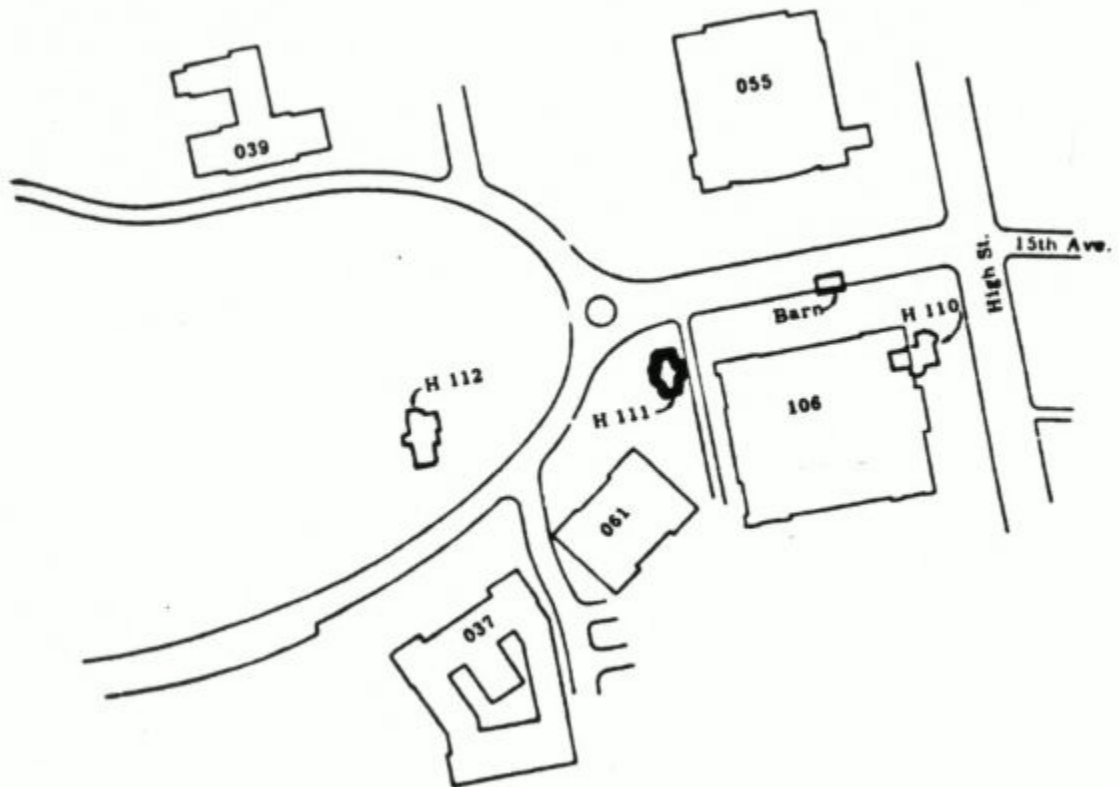
1.2.2 Occupied by Professors Short, Tuttle, and Knight, in that order. There may have been other occupants not noted.

See Addenda Nos. 2, 4

2. Location

The approximate location in relation to today's streets and buildings is shown in the sketch.

See Addendum No. 1



For identification of other buildings shown, see Appendix A.

3. General Description

3.1 Type of construction:

Wood interior and brick exterior (McC 1: 8A).

3.2 No. of stories:

Basement, two stories, and attic.

3.3 Increments of construction:

None noted.

3.4 Area:

Not determined.

3.5 Volume:

Not determined.

3.6 No. of rooms:

Originally ten rooms (McC 1: 8A).

B. PLANNING & CONSTRUCTION

1. On June 20, 1882 the Board of Trustees approved the plans and related documents prepared by J. T. Harris and authorized the solicitation of bids by contractors.

2. Bids were received on August 1, 1882. (T)

3. On August 1, 1882 the Board of Trustees awarded the construction contract to Robert Wood.

4. Completion and occupancy:

4.1 Exact date of completion not determined.

4.2 McCracken (McC 1: 8A) lists 1882 as the date of construction.

4.3 The Board of Trustees minutes for November 14, 1882 speak of the building as "now in course of construction" and specify the first tenant.

C. DEMOLITION

The building was razed in September 1911 (McC 2: 286).

See Addendum Nos. 2, 3

D. MISCELLANEOUS

This was one of three faculty residences built by the University in 1882. The others were H 110 and H 112.

E. COST

Contract was for \$4,524.

F. PHOTOGRAPHS

1. In Photoarchives:

X 7620--H 111 is the middle house shown. H 110 is on the right and H 112 is on the left.

See Addendum No. 2

John H. Herrick

August 25, 1972

ADDENDUM NO. 1

Address arbitrarily assigned for indexing purposes: 55 South Oval Drive.

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February 17, 1976

ADDENDUM NO. 2

1. From 1901-2 through 1907-8, this house was occupied by Professor McPherson.

2. McCracken (2:286 and 4:14A) gives 1911 as the date of demolition of this house. However, the Board of Trustees on November 20, 1908 directed the Secretary to secure prices on wrecking the house. While the Board minutes do not speak further on this matter, McCracken (2:148) says that "shortly thereafter the residence was taken down."

The earlier date is supported by photographs in Photoarchives. The house appears in a 1908 picture (X22932), but is missing in a picture taken at the end of the 1908-9 academic year (X22936). Thus, the house was razed between November 20, 1908 and June 1909.

3. Additional photographs in Photoarchives include X 22931 and X 22932.

See addendum No. 3

John H. Herrick

December 1, 1978

ADDENDUM NO. 3

The Lantern on September 21, 1909 reported that this house had been torn down, but no specific date is given. Since it was the practice of the Lantern to report in the fall on building changes during the summer, this demolition could have occurred anytime after the close of school in June.

This news note, used in connection with Addendum No. 2 above, suggests that the actual date of demolition was June 1909.

John H. Herrick

April 5, 1979

ADDENDUM NO. 4

The following additional name for this building has been found on old campus maps:

Professor's Residence

John H. Herrick

September 21, 1981